

Sir:

The above-identified patent application is being filed concurrently with this paper and is a continuation of pending patent application Serial No. 09/491,609, filed January 26, 2000.

5 IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification of subject application.

At page 1, kindly replace the paragraph under "CROSS-REFERENCETO RELATED APPLICATIONS" as follows:

10 This is a continuation of co-pending application Serial No. 09/491,609 filed January 26, 2000, <sup>now U.S. 6,332,968</sup> which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/333,168 filed June 14, , 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,287,432, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/487,945 filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,019,885, which is a divisional of application Serial No. 08/394,925 filed  
15 February 24, 1995, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,591,315. Application Serial No. 08/394,925 is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/228,793 filed April 15, 1994, now abandoned, which was a divisional of application Serial No. 07/618,792 filed November 27, 1990, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,306,411. Application No.  
20 07/618,792 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Serial Nos. 07/457,327 filed on December 27, 1989, now abandoned, 07/457,340 filed on December 27, 1989, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Serial No. 07/025,511 filed on March 13, 1987 and  
25 issued as U.S. Patent No. 4,933,054 on June 12, 1990; 07/457,384 filed on December 27, 1989; now abandoned; and 07/510,296 filed on April 16, 1990, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Serial No. 07/357,317 filed on May 25, 1989, now abandoned, which are  
30 hereby fully incorporated herein by reference.